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EMPLOYING MORE INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES IN MILWAUKEE COUNTY

Supervisor De Bruin's resolution encourages use of work centers that employ people with disabilities

Milwaukee, WI – On a unanimous vote, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors this morning voted to approve a resolution from Supervisor Lynne De Bruin that would form a Work Group to study the benefits of a possible County Use Ordinance to encourage the purchase of certain goods and services from work centers that employ people with disabilities.

“Unemployment among disabled individuals exceeds 70% in Wisconsin,” said Supervisor Lynne De Bruin, lead sponsor of the resolution. “By increasing the County’s use of goods and services provided by people with disabilities, we will expand employment of disabled individuals in Milwaukee County.”

The resolution encourages Milwaukee County to use Community Rehabilitation Facilities and Work Centers that primarily employ individuals with disabilities to provide certain goods and services that are currently being provided by the private sector. A similar ordinance already in effect at the state level encourages Wisconsin agencies to use services and products provided by the State Use Program.

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